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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Joseph A. HERMAN *et al.*

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Examiner: BAYAT, B.B.

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FOR: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR VIRTUAL SEALED-BID
COMPETITIONS HELD OVER A COMMUNICATIONS
NETWORK

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Please find enclosed for filing:

- ☒ *Amendment*, 37 C.F.R. § 1.111, 1.115.
- ☒ *Verified Statement (Declaration) of Prior Invention -- Swearing Back of Reference --*
37 C.F.R. §1.131.
- ☒ Applicant/Assignee claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27.
- ☒ Check in the amount of \$ **475.00** for fee for three (3) month extension.
- ☒ Other: Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 (a); and
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Respectfully submitted,

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